Harpeth Hall News

HATS OFF!

This is the 28th year that Harpeth Hall Upper School students have participated in Winterim. This year there has been a wide-variety of classes, internships and travel in which the girls have taken part. Included in the long list of on-campus classes are Women in Finance, Hitchcock, Tool Time and French Cooking. Internships in the Nashville area include working with a judge and recording music. Also, there was a New York Theater trip and a number of girls participating in independent travel. Not only is Winterim a special time to pursue career choices and learn independently, but it is typically a life-changing event in the lives of all students involved.

Congratulations to Katie Gallagher (9) for being selected to represent the state of Tennessee on the Olympic Development soccer team!

In other soccer news, many varsity players were selected for post-season honors. The following students were chosen to be a part of the Tennessee Athletic Coaches Association (TACA) All-Region Team: Ellen Davis (10), forward, Anna Mayo (11), midfield, Austin Jones (11), goal keeper, and Abigail Markham (12), midfield. Ellen, Austin and Abigail were also selected to be a part of the TACA All-State team, which is an automatic nomination for All-American. Way to go soccer players!

Congratulations to Alana Essig (8) who sang the National Anthem at a Predators game over the holidays!

Middle School students dazzled us with their knowledge at the Geography Bee. Many girls participated in this competition. Congratulations to all who took part in this event! Here are the winners: 1st place – Maggie Babb (7), 2nd place – Margaret Tipton (8), 3rd place – Anne Jacobs (5). Congratulations to all who participated: 5th grade – Lacy Broemel and Anne Jacobs, 6th grade – Kathleen Catherall and Catherine Ramsey, 7th grade - Maggie Babb, Catherine Higham and Demetria Spinrad, 8th grade – Jaclyn Kireyczyk, Margaret Tipton and Beth Ward. Maggie will soon take the state qualifying geography test– good luck!

Allie Bohanon (10) was recognized as one of the top seven defensive basketball players in Middle Tennessee by a poll conducted by *The Tennessean*.

Hats off to Ali Berryman (8) for winning a seat in the Mid-State Orchestra. She competed against other string players from all over middle Tennessee and won 5th seat viola. The competition was stiff and she even competed against 9th graders to win her seat. The concert was on January 26 at Hillwood High. What an honor Ali!

Case Szarwark (11) won the gold medal in fencing at the National Championship Epee Competition for ages 20 and under. There is a strong possibility that Case will compete at the Olympics in a few years! Congratulations Case!

COMMUNITY SERVICE NEWS

Motorola and APTE Support Harpeth Hall's Involvement with Head Start

National companies APTE, Inc. and Motorola, Inc. recently teamed up with Harpeth Hall's seventh grade to support the class's community service work with Richland Head Start.

APTE is the designer of Internet Coach software, and the company has provided CD-ROMs to the entire seventh grade class to use as they mentor and teach the Head Start students.

Thanks to APTE and Motorola, the seventh graders will be able to put their technology skills to use by exploring *Ani's Rocket Ride: Internet Coach for Early Learning*, which won *Parenting* magazine's prestigious Software Magic Award in 2001. APTE and Motorola have provided training for Harpeth Hall students in how to use the software to build on early literacy skills. The seventh graders introduced this great software to their Head Start buddies for the first time on January 29. They will continue working with the software on subsequent visits to Head Start.

Harpeth Hall has had a long relationship with the Head Start program. Each year, seventh grade classes work with Head Start students, visiting with the preschoolers several times a year to read, play games and do other activities. Earlier this year, the seventh grade sponsored a Halloween carnival at Harpeth Hall for their Head Start buddies.

ALL-SCHOOL EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Harpeth Hall Parents Association brings host nationally-recognized financial consultant and author Brooke Stephens to campus on Wednesday, February 13. A Fisk University graduate, Ms. Stephens will present "What's Money Got to Do With It? Making Love & Money Work in the Real World," at 7:00 p.m. in the Frances Bond Theatre. Ms. Stephens is the author of Wealth Happens One Day as a Time: 365 Days to a Brighter Financial Future and Talking Dollars and Making Sense: A Wealth-Building Guide for African Americans.

School House Rock Live! will be presented on Friday, February 8, at 7:00 p.m and Saturday, February 9, at 2:00 p.m. in the Frances Bond Davis Theatre. There are 55 seventh and eighth grade girls in this musical adaptation of the popular educational cartoon series. Ticket price is \$5 in advance and \$6 at the door. Tickets will be available from cast members a week before the performances. Please come and support these talented Middle School students!

Sports News! Sports News!

VARSITY BASKETBALL

The Varsity Basketball team continues to roll along as they have compiled a record of 15-3 at the halfway point of the season. Currently, they stand at 6-1 in the region. New faces have come together with returning players to create an exciting brand of basketball that is energetic and fun to watch. The new faces who have made significant contributions are the duo of frosh Stephanie Urell and Sarah Baker. Leading the way as well are sophs Nancy Sisk, Allie Bohannon, Abby Lipshie, and Crockett Hale. Juniors Austin Jones and Jennifer Price have been major contributors along with the two seniors, Becky Brown and Elizabeth Porter.

Big wins for the squad have come against Goodpasture (twice), BGA, Mt. Juliet, and Buchholz, Florida. The wins over Mt. Juliet and Buchholz were at the Deep South Classic in Atlanta, December 26-29. These wins were very significant in that these two schools have tradition-rich programs. Buchholz won the Florida 5A state title last year. In the Bears' lone loss in the tourney, they fought nationally ranked Collins Hill down to the wire before falling by eight points. Collins Hill won the Georgia state title last year and is currently 18-1 on the season. Come out and watch the Bears play some ball as they set their sights on the region and state titles!

VARSITY SOCCER

The 2001 Harpeth Hall Varsity Soccer Team completed the season with a 12-8-3 record, a Region Runner-Up finish, and a return to the State Tournament. The Honeybears played one of the toughest schedules in school history. In 23 matches, 10 were against teams that made the State Tournament in their respective divisions, including three finalists and one state champion. One of the season's highlights was a 2-1 home victory over powerhouse Hendersonville while playing without two of the team's leading scorers.

The team made tremendous progress over the course of the season. The Honeybears outscored their opponents 56-29, while nearly equaling the school record for shutouts in a season. The squad peaked just as the Region Tournament began, avenging two previous losses to archrival Father Ryan with a 1-0 win on a goal by Senior Abigail Markham in the Region Semi-Finals. The Honeybears then faced rival BGA in the Region Championship, a team that had beaten Harpeth Hall by three goals in the regular season. Markham again notched the Bears' only goal to give us the lead late in the match. BGA was able to equalize with only fifteen minutes to play sending the Championship to overtime. After four periods of scoreless overtime, BGA took the victory on penalty kicks sending Harpeth Hall to Memphis in the State Quarterfinals. Unfortunately, the Honeybears were unable to maintain their momentum in Memphis, falling to ECS 2-1.

In a season of "almosts," The Honeybears were Runner-Up in the Harpeth Hall/St. Cecilia Fall Classic. Raleigh-Anne Blank and Austin Jones were named to the All-Tournament Team. We were Runner-Up in the Nashville City Championships. Ellen Davis and Abby Markham were named to the All-Tournament Team. The Bears were also Region Runner-Up. Abby Markham, Erin Williamson, and Anna Mayo were named to the All-Region Team.

In addition to the TACA post-season honors listed in the Hat's Off section, several Honeykickers have been recognized as Gatorade Will-to-Win Athletes: Elizabeth Ballard, Abigail Markham, Stephanie Tidwell, Erin Williamson, Anna Mayo, and Ellen Davis.

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MIDDLE SCHOOL BASKETBALL

The Middle School Basketball team jumps to a record of 7-3 after a 6-game winning streak. The streak includes wins over CPA, Ensworth, Overbrook, Harding, USN and Freedom. Tough, aggressive defense has been the key to the victories, holding Freedom to just 2 points in the first half and holding USN scoreless in the first half.

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